

Farewell, My Dear Cramer

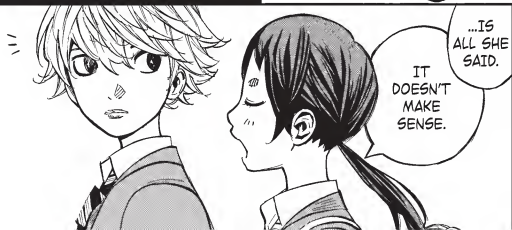
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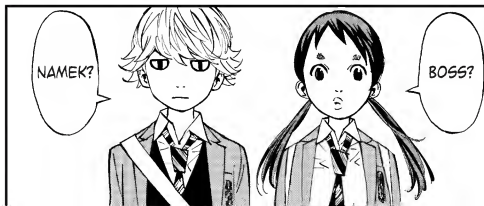
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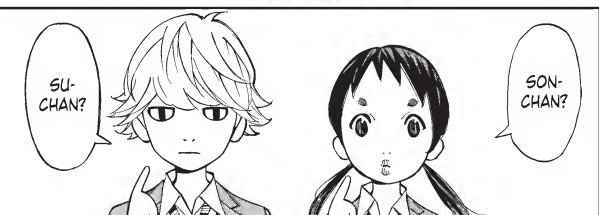
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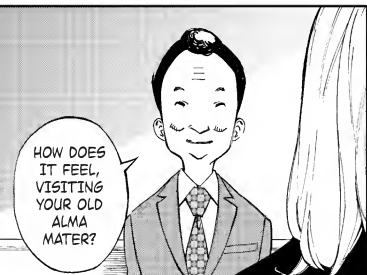




*Farewell,
My Dear
Cramer*

CHAPTER 2





HOW DOES
IT FEEL,
VISITING
YOUR OLD
ALMA
MATER?



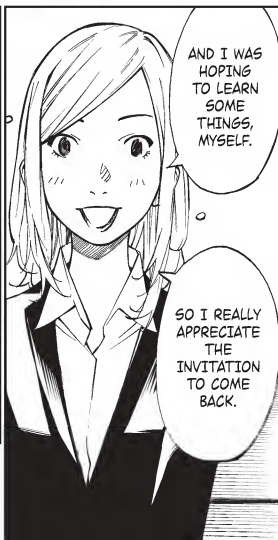
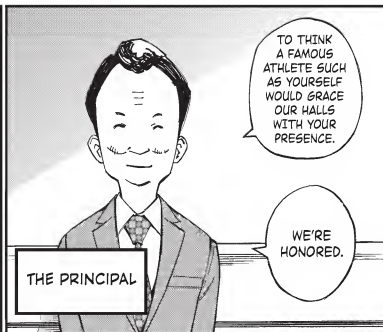
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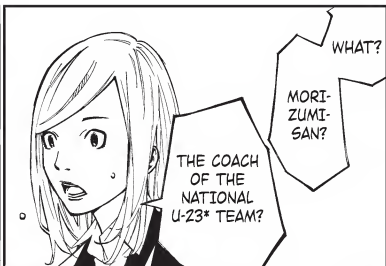
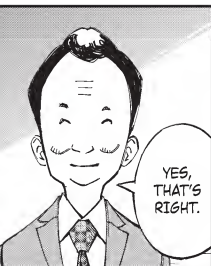


I'M HAPPY
TO SEE
IT HASN'T
CHANGED
MUCH SINCE
I WAS A
STUDENT
HERE.

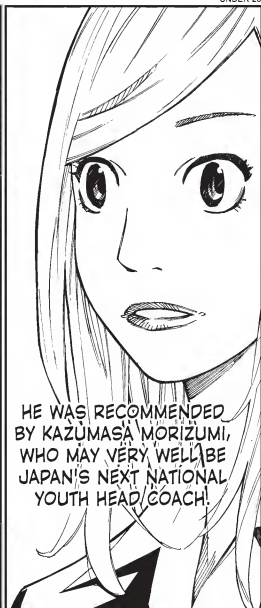
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NICE.

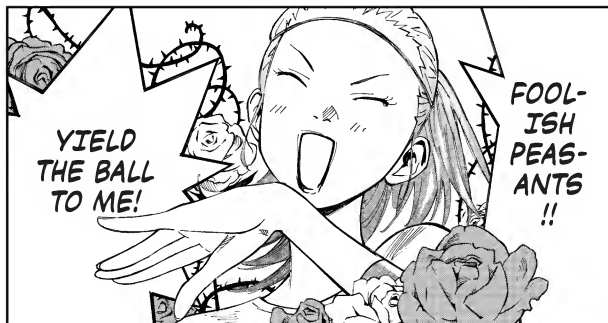
NAOKO NOMI





*UNDER-23





YIELD
THE BALL
TO ME!

FOOL-
ISH
PEAS-
ANTS
!!



HI-
YA!!

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I KICKED
IT
STRAIGHT
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I'VE
NEVER
DONE
THAT
BEFORE!

YAY!

YUP.

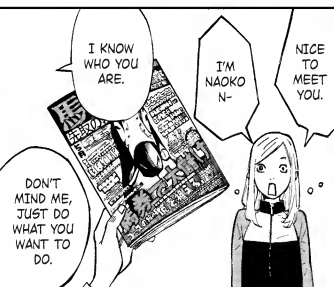
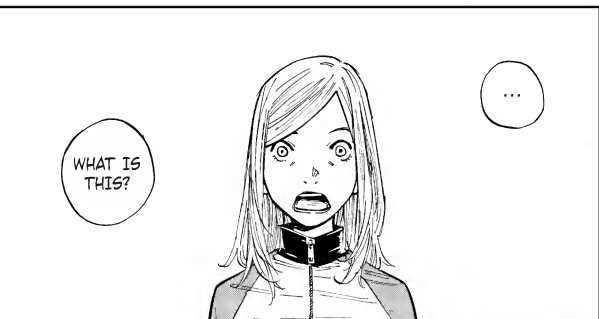
STRAIGHT.

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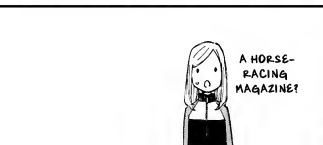


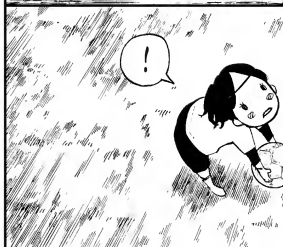
ELIZA-
BETH!!

JUST
SHUT UP
ALREADY.



*MAGAZINE: HORSE LOVE, MAY
WINNING STRATEGY!! HIT THE JACKPOT - AIM FOR THE MILLIONS









IN THE
15 YEARS
BEFORE
SHE
RETIRED,

THE
BEST
PLAYER
IN ASIA.

SHE
MADE
IT ONTO
JAPAN'S
A-TEAM
AT 17.

SHE
RAISED
THE BAR
FOR SOC-
CER PLAY-
ERS ALL
ACROSS
JAPAN.
SHE'S A
LEGEND.

SHE
BROKE ALL
KINDS OF
RECORDS,
INCLUDING
WINNING
THE BUN-
DESLIGA.

WHAT IS
WRONG
WITH
HER?

MORE LIKE
SUPER
INCRED-
IBLE!!

COOL.

BUT I'M
GOING TO
ARRANGE FOR
YOU TO PLAY
A PRACTICE
MATCH
AGAINST
ANOTHER
SCHOOL.

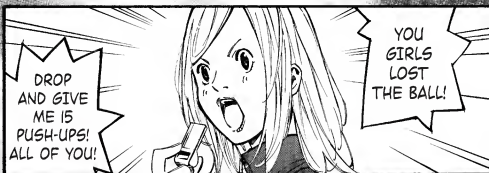
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RUMBLE

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SO, UM, I
KNOW IT'S A
LITTLE SOON
TO SPRING
THIS ON YOU.

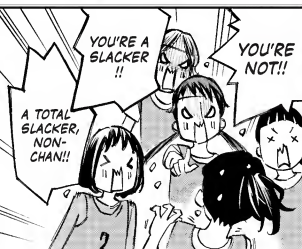


*NAMAHAGE IS A SCARY DEMON THAT GOES AROUND ON NEW YEAR'S DEMANDING,
"ARE THERE ANY NAUGHTY KIDS AROUND?" IN ORDER TO PUNISH THEM FOR THEIR NAUGHTINESS.





I'M DOING
MY BEST,
OKAY?



A TOTAL
SLACKER,
NON-
CHAN!!

YOU'RE A
SLACKER
!!

YOU'RE
NOT!!

2



EEEK!

I CAN'T
FEEL MY
ARMS!

PULL
YOURSELF
TOGETHER,
DANG-
NABBIT!!

WE'RE
SPENDING
MORE TIME
DOING PUSH-
UPS THAN
KICKING
THE BALL!!

PUT
YOURSELF IN
OUR SHOES!
WE'RE ONLY
GETTING
PUNISHED
BECAUSE OF
YOU!!

6

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THE BALL CAN ROLL RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU,



YOU NEVER DEFEND FROM THE FRONT.

YOU NEVER BLOCK ANY PASSES.



WELL, WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM ME!



SHE'S TALKING BACK TO US?!



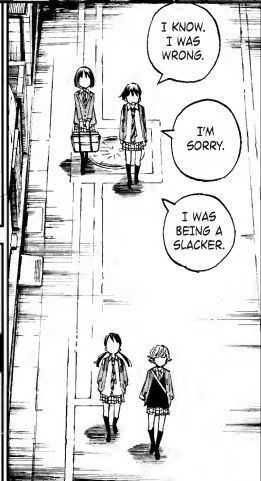
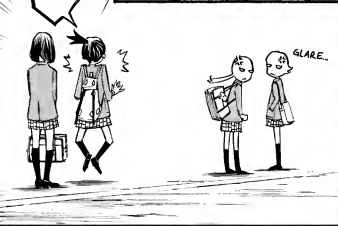
WE'VE DONE AT LEAST 500 PUSH-UPS!

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE, MESSI?!

THEN SCORE 50 GOALS!!

SLOW-POKE!

UGLY!!





IS THIS
REALLY
ALL IT IS?



TRUE.

A LITTLE
MORE
THAN
A YEAR
AGO.



...

THE NEW
PLAYER
MATCH IN
OUR SECOND
YEAR OF
MIDDLE
SCHOOL.

WE HAVEN'T
PLAYED
AGAINST
ANOTHER
SCHOOL
SINCE...



AND
SU-
CHAN...

YOU
HAVE
SON-
CHAN...

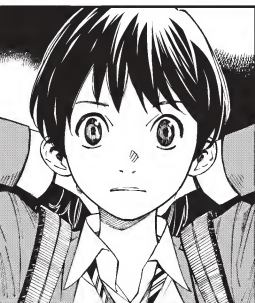


AND ALL
THE
GIRLS.



YOU'LL
GET IT
SOON.

THE
FOOTBALL
LIFE YOU
ALWAYS
DREAMED
OF. I KNOW
YOU WILL.

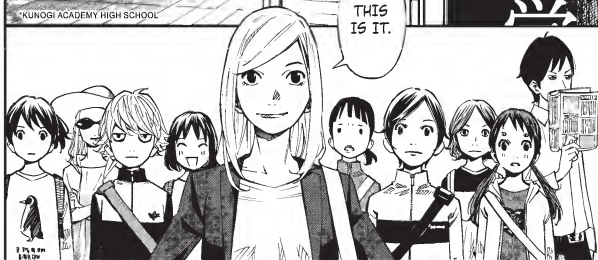


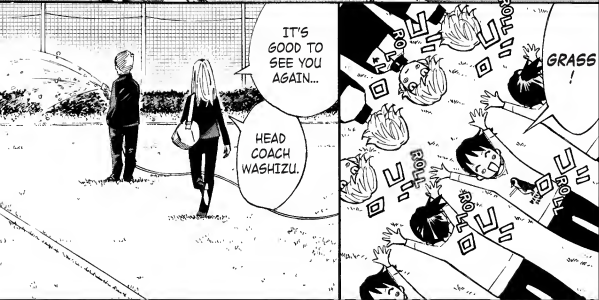
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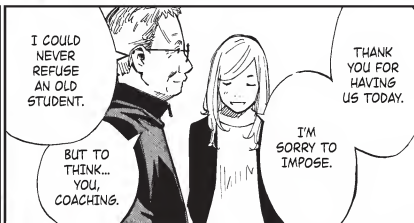
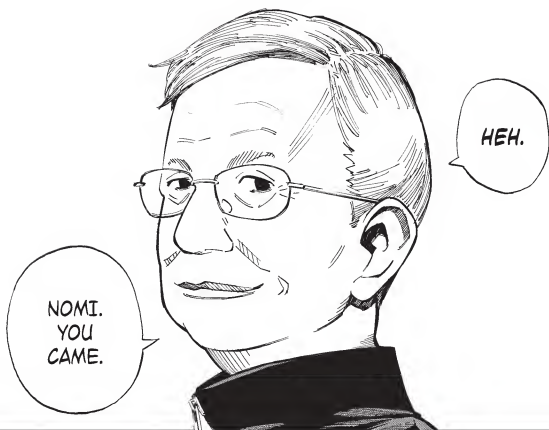


*KUNOGI ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

THIS
IS IT.









I WANT YOU
TO USE
YOUR BEST
FIRST- AND
SECOND-
YEAR
PLAYERS.

FOR
TODAY'S
GAME...



THAT'S
EXACTLY
WHAT I
WANT.



IS
THAT
WHAT
YOU
WANT?

THOSE TWO
YEARS HAVE
OUR BEST
TALENT IN
HISTORY.



GEH HEH HEH HEH HEH
HEH HEH HEH HEH HEH

THE MAN
KNOWN
AS THE
DRY-
EYED RED
OGRE.

KEN-
ROKU
WASHI-
ZU.

BIRDS
OF A
FEATHER...



I KNEW
IT WOULD
BE. I DIDN'T
EVEN BRING
ANY THIRD-
YEARS.

NOW
YOU'RE
TALKING.



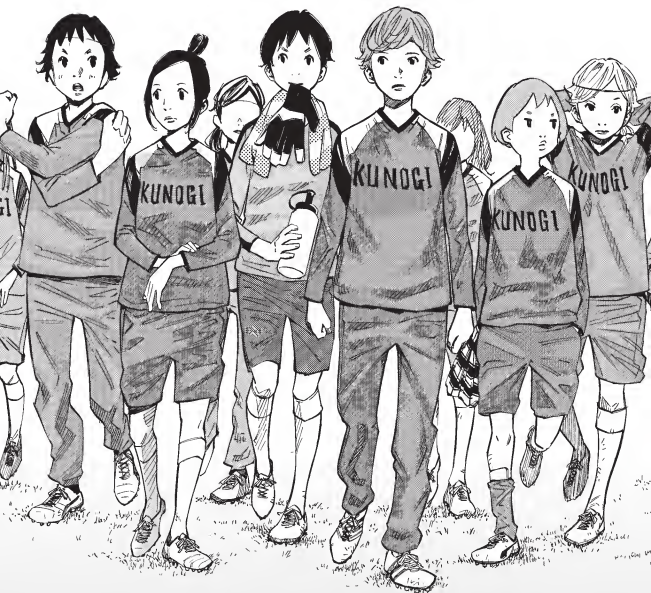
KUNOGI
ACADEMY
HIGH
SCHOOL.

NOMI-
SAN, THIS
IS TOO
MUCH!!

THIS
PLACE
IS...

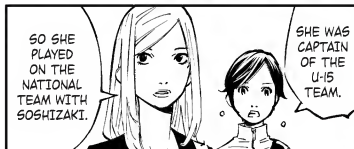
THEY
WON THE
CHAMPION-
SHIP IN BOTH
SPRING AND
SUMMER.

THE BEST HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER TEAM IN JAPAN.

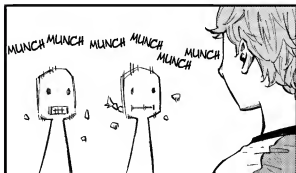




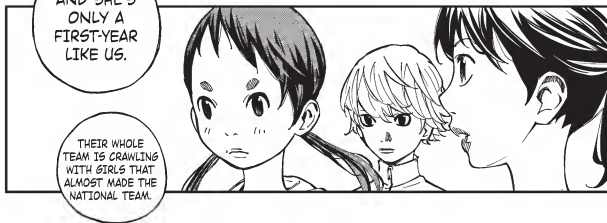
KUNOGI ACADEMY
SECOND-YEAR
MIZUKI KAJI

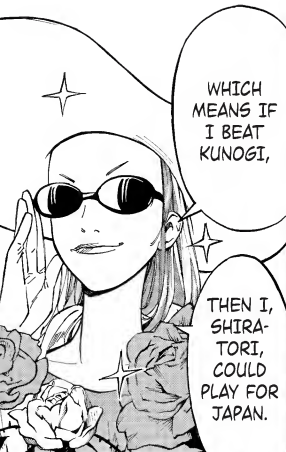












WHICH
MEANS IF
I BEAT
KUNOGI,

THEN I,
SHIRA-
TORI,
COULD
PLAY FOR
JAPAN.



OOH HO HO HO!



THEY
MIGHT
AS WELL
BE THE
NATIONAL
YOUTH
TEAM.

*KUNOGI ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL



YOU'RE
ALL IN.

TSUKUDA.

ITO.



KAJI.

MAKI.

MASUKO.



AND ONE
THING I
FORGOT.



THOSE
ARE THE
FIRST AND
SECOND
YEAR
REGULARS.



UNDER-
STAND?



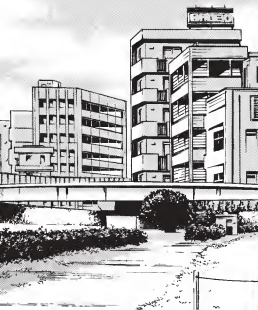
IF YOU
DON'T,

I WON'T
USE ANY
OF YOU IN
ANY FUTURE
OFFICIAL
GAMES.

YOU WILL
SCORE
AT LEAST
TEN
GOALS.

AND
FINISH
THE GAME
WITH A
CLEAN
SHEET.

YES,
COACH
!!



LET'S
BEGIN.

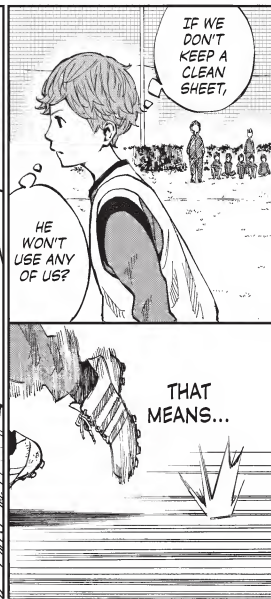
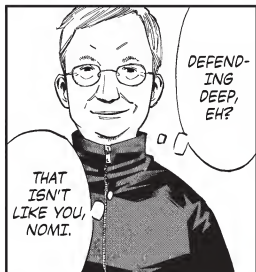
WE'LL
PLAY IN 40-
MINUTE
HALVES.



YOU CAN
DO IT,
NON-
CHAN!







I KNEW THEY
WOULDN'T MAKE
IT EASY FOR
US BUILD UP
MOMENTUM.

THEIR
FRONT LINE
IS COMING
AT US FULL
FORCE.

THEY KEEP
THE TEAM
CLOSE
TOGETHER
AND ALL
MOVE IN
TO SCORE.

KUNOGI
ACADEMY'S
STRONG
SUIT IS
POSSES-
SION
SOCCER.

A LOT
OF SPACE
BEHIND
THEIR
DEFENSIVE
LINE.

BECAUSE
OF THAT,
THEY CAN'T
AVOID
CREATING...





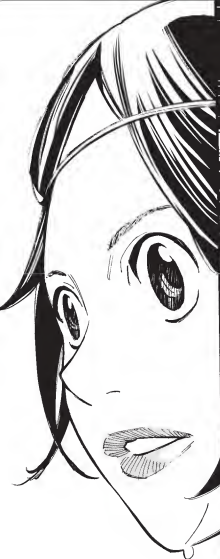
SO...

USE
SOSHIZAKI
AS BEST
YOU CAN.

SHE
FLICKED
IT!

FOR
EN
K





SO THEY
JUST KICKED
THE BALL AT
RANDOM?
HOW
FOOLHARDY.



JUST
GET THE
BALL
BEHIND
THEM.

SHE'LL
DO THE
REST.

GO!









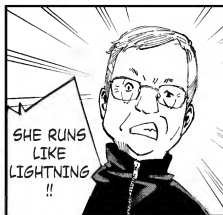
WELL DONE FOR A PEASANT !!

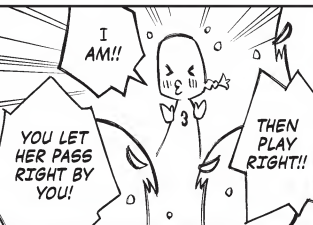
I'M MAGNIFICENT! GLEAM

EEK!

T M P


W T U







THAT'S
ALL SHE'S
GOT.



WHEN YOU
REALLY BOIL
IT DOWN, THERE
ARE ONLY
TWO STYLES:
COUNTER ATTACK
SOCCER AND
POSSESSION
SOCCER.


SOCCER
REALLY IS
A SIMPLE
SPORT.

BOTH ARE AN
INEVITABLE
PRODUCT OF
THE GAME,

AND EACH
ENHANCES
THE OTHER'S
PRECISION
AS ITS
OPPOSITE.

THEY
TURNED
THE BALL
AROUND.

WHERE
CAN I
GET THE
BALL?!



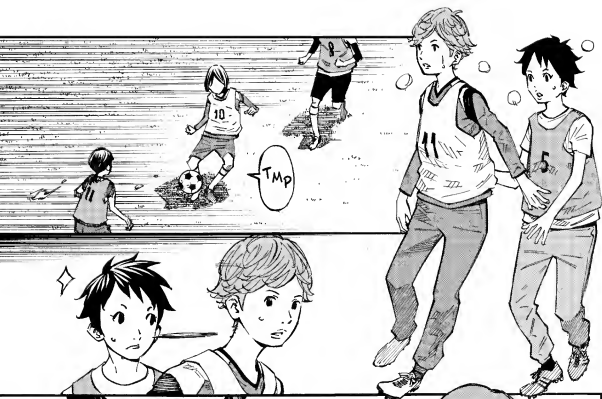
IF YOU TRY TO
COUNTER ATTACK,
I'LL BOOST MY
POSSESSION AND
HOLD ON
TO THE BALL.

IF YOU
TIGHTEN YOUR
DEFENSE BY
ADDING MORE
PLAYERS, THEN
I'LL PASS
BETWEEN
THEM.



IF YOU
ALWAYS
HAVE THE
BALL.

YOU CAN'T
PLAY
COUNTER
ATTACK
SOCCER...

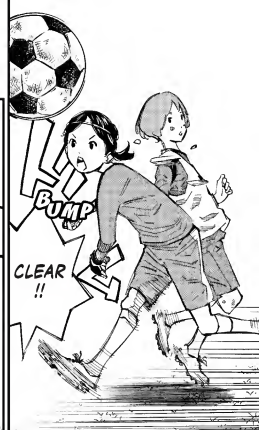




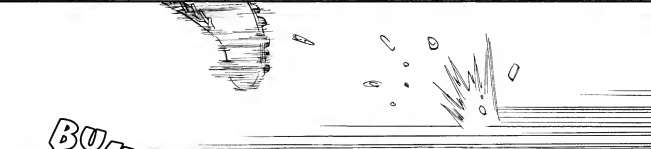
CALM
DOWN!!

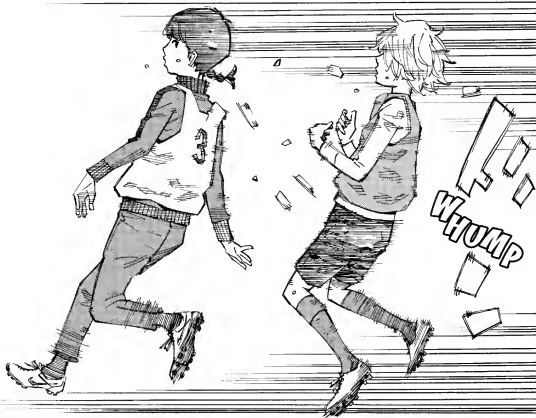


THERE'S NO
SUCH THING
AS A 100%
POSSES-
SION.



ITO!!





I DON'T
LIKE
THIS.

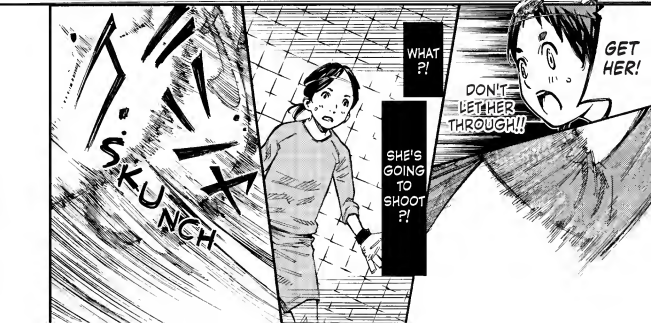
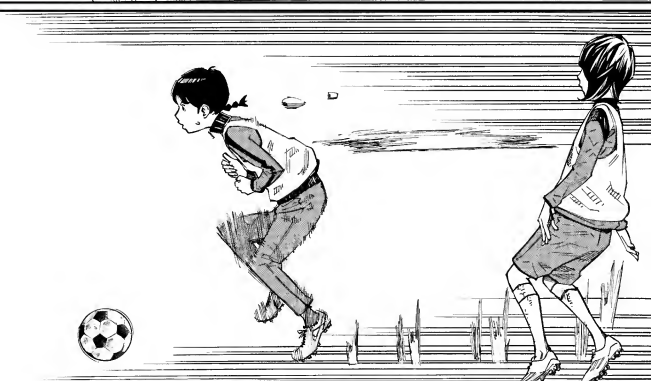
SHE GOT IN
FRONT OF
SUO AND
STOPPED HER
BEFORE SHE
COULD GAIN
SPEED.

SHE'S
GOOD!!



EVERYBODY,
TO THE
CENTER!

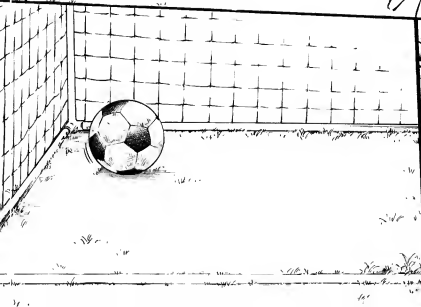










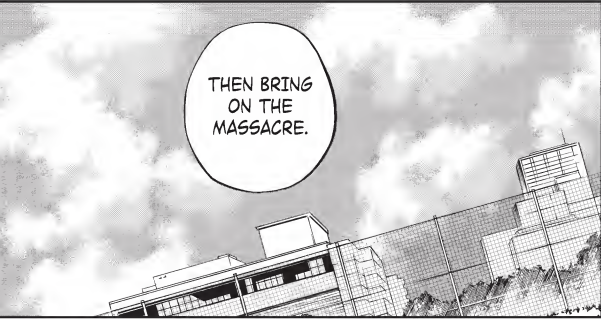
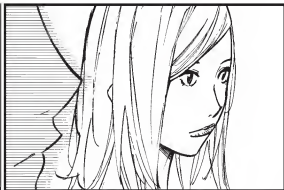






WE'RE
GONNA GET
SLAUGHTERED.

THE OTHER
TEAM'S
TOO GOOD.



THEN BRING
ON THE
MASSACRE.